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COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

Ehrhardt Etchings.

Ehrhardt, Sept. 5.—Sunday was nearly as warm as a sport said it was in middle Florida. Said you could put out a cake of ice and it would warp in the sunshine before it would melt.

Well, the carnival company left here this morning for Walterboro, S. C. The old plantation was nearly worn out here last week. Every time they were going to put new features in the play, but was the same old play over and over.

Well, we had a very tame election. The candidates did not spend any money on the "good people" at this voting precinct. The "good people" acted very cool to them at the campaign meeting. No dinner on the ground as usual.

Some few bales of new cotton were brought to market last week and sold for 14 cents the pound; all it was worth, as it was badly worked on account of being too green and damp.

Had some regular trash movers last week or would have had several more bales of cotton on our market. Could not gather it from the fields.

Mrs. Addie B. Hartz, Capt. J. C. Kinard and wife returned from the mountains last Saturday. They seem lively, and in good spirits, and I hope improved.

Our merchants expect a large trade this fall. They have immense stocks of goods opened up and more coming every day.

Miss Salome Wilson is spending some time with friends in this section. All are glad to see her and enjoy her company.

Mrs. J. B. Ramsey, two daughters and two sons, have gone to Williams to visit her mother and friends.

Mrs. Simmons and daughter have gone to Branchville to visit her sister, Mrs. Emma Appleby.

The railroad company has improved the looks of their yards here. There is room for more improvements. The paint brush would help the looks of the depot.

Perry Bamberg, a colored farmer of this section grew a pumpkin vine this year on the old Murdaugh plantation that matured five pumpkins. Weights as follows: 122 pounds, 113 pounds, 40 pounds, 20 pounds, and one 20 pounds, making a total of 325 pounds of pumpkin to one vine. Who can beat this production? JEE.

Govan Letter.

Govan, September 5.—Mr. Otis Laine and Miss Ethel Whitton were happily united in the bonds of matrimony, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the home of the bride in Augusta, Ga.

Monnie and Willie Laine were at home Sunday, but for a short time.

A candidate who is defeated should not feel disappointed at defeat. One should work to make a successful career in any undertaking, and be contented in the achievement of success in his particular calling or profession. The preferment of public office is for only a few, and sometimes the people make the right selection in their opinion, knowing that it is the wrong selection. This is due to corruption in the people and candidates. Sometimes misinformation as to a man's platform causes the wrong man to be elected, but in this case often we have good men elected on the wrong platform.

Rev. P. A. Bolen held regular preaching services at Georges Creek Saturday and Sunday. He used the subject: "The value of human life," and preached an instructive sermon. He emphasized the truth that man has just begun the journey of life at death, and that God's purpose is for him to understand that he has a duty to perform here below, using strong illustrations by naming some active lives who have achieved great things in life, such as inventions that are of great avail in the establishment of Christ's kingdom. Also said that God's purpose is that man should be consecrated.

Cain Moyer, an old negro of the slavery time type, died last week. It is a sad condition to see these old negroes "pass over the river," for with their departure we lose irrevocably that type of individuality. As John Temple Graves said:

CENSUS ESTIMATES.

Durand Thinks Census Will Show 91,000,000.

Washington, August 27.—Enthusiastic persons who have been claiming that the completion of the present census will show that the United States has a population of 100,000,000, will be disappointed when the returns are all in, according to the belief of Director E. Dana Durand.

Not counting the Philippines, if the census shows a population in the United States proper of 91,000,000 census bureau officials will be surprised.

"This is only a rough guess," said Director Durand, "but I believe the returns will show there is a population of 90,000,000 in the country, not counting the Philippines. It may run up to 91,000,000, but I doubt it. Of course if the population of the Philippines is included the figures will be close to the 100,000,000 mark."

"I expect the tabulation to be completed by November 15, and immediately afterward we will be able to announce the population of the country."

"The net gains from immigration during the last ten years has not been so large as would be supposed."

"For example, immigration from 1901 to 1907 into the United States was only 6,219,000, in round numbers. Of this number 1,927,000 returned to the countries from which they came, leaving a total of only 4,292,000."

"We have been surprised at the population of cities of 100,000 and more since the figures of many of these have been announced. The percentage of increase since the last census of these cities—that is, those whose population has been given out is more than twenty per cent."

"Whether or not the country districts will show such a percentage of increase in population we do not know yet. Some believe that the rapid rate of increase of the large cities is caused by population drawn from the country districts."

City Council Meeting.

City council held a regular monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon. The regular routine business was transacted, and Mr. Marion Smoak, night policeman, tendered his resignation, to take effect October 1st, as he will enter another line of business.

The clerk and treasurer reported that he had written the Bamberg business league in regard to the good roads rally projected by council but had not heard from that body so far.

Robbers Kill Two—Rob Pay Chest.

Hudson, N. Y., Sept. 3.—Masked men sprang out of the bushes alongside a lonely lane this afternoon, held up Dent Fowler, aged 21, paymaster of the Atlas Brick company, and his negro driver, shot the driver dead, wounded Fowler mortally and made off with the chest of pay envelopes containing \$5,000. George Ragsdale, the driver, died instantly, his head being torn away by two .44 calibre revolver bullets. He was a trusted employee. Fowler was wounded over the heart and died without regaining full consciousness.

The robbers escaped. Young Fowler went armed and for further protection took with him Ragsdale, who was stable boss at the brick yard. It was raining and they rode with the buggy top up, the boot well raised in front, and their heads far back in the hood. That made it easy for the robbers.

Just what happened when the hold-up came will never be known until the murderers are caught and confess. Fowler died before he could utter more than a few unintelligible words.

"There should be a monument erected to their memory that would reach to the skies."

Cotton is being gathered slowly owing to the heavy rains. The pea crop appears to be good.

We don't hear much about automobile road construction.

For some reason unknown Rev. Wilkes didn't fill his regular appointment at Salem Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Alva Rogers, of Atlanta, Ga., is visiting relatives and friends in the community.

Mr. Jack Hutto and Miss Mattie Lena Mather were married Sunday night at the home of Mrs. Luther Lancaster. Rev. P. E. Bolen officiated. We wish for the young couple a happy and prosperous life. Mr. Hutto is in the railroad service and located at Hix in Orangeburg county. They left for Hix last night.

OFFICIAL RESULT OF ELECTION IN BAMBERG COUNTY.

The Following Figures are Official, Being the Results as Declared by Executive Committee.

| | | Bamberg | Denmark | Ehrhardt | Olar | Fish Pond | Clear Pond | Colston | Govan | Highower Mill | Lees | Midway | Total vote for. | | |
|-------------------|--------------|---------|---------|----------|------|-----------|------------|---------|-------|---------------|------|--------|-----------------|-----|------|
| For Governor | Blease | 32 | 45 | 16 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 3 | 130 | |
| | Duncan | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 6 | 16 | | |
| | Featherstone | 78 | 45 | 33 | 59 | 32 | 14 | 20 | 9 | 12 | 13 | 4 | 15 | 304 | |
| | Hyatt | 9 | 3 | 33 | 9 | 2 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 47 | |
| | McLeod | 99 | 65 | 58 | 50 | 7 | 24 | 1 | 19 | 28 | 13 | 7 | 211 | 326 | |
| For Lt. Governor | Richards | 14 | 16 | 13 | 14 | 10 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 12 | 12 | 1 | 4 | 96 | |
| | Duvall | 78 | 58 | 29 | 16 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 16 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 193 |
| For Sec. of State | Smith | 154 | 118 | 125 | 121 | 57 | 61 | 21 | 38 | 27 | 38 | 30 | 23 | 24 | 712 |
| | McCown | 233 | 179 | 154 | 141 | 59 | 64 | 22 | 44 | 43 | 45 | 33 | 24 | 28 | 915 |
| For Comp. Gen. | Jones | 232 | 178 | 153 | 141 | 59 | 64 | 22 | 44 | 43 | 45 | 33 | 24 | 28 | 913 |
| For State Treas. | Jennings | 234 | 179 | 154 | 141 | 59 | 64 | 22 | 44 | 43 | 45 | 33 | 24 | 28 | 916 |
| Adj. and In. Gen. | Moore | 215 | 155 | 137 | 127 | 47 | 55 | 20 | 41 | 41 | 39 | 19 | 20 | 15 | 794 |
| | Newnham | 5 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 1 | | | 3 | 1 | | | 26 |
| | Richardson | 14 | 14 | 15 | 12 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 13 | 4 | 13 | 90 |
| State Supt. Ed. | Swearingen | 234 | 178 | 153 | 141 | 59 | 64 | 22 | 44 | 43 | 45 | 33 | 24 | 28 | 915 |
| Attorney General | Evans | 35 | 27 | 37 | 32 | 8 | 14 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 8 | 3 | 10 | 154 |
| | Lyon | 164 | 137 | 116 | 105 | 49 | 50 | 21 | 36 | 38 | 39 | 30 | 14 | 16 | 699 |
| Railroad Com. | Cansler | 51 | 34 | 61 | 29 | 36 | 9 | 3 | 19 | 4 | 10 | 20 | 15 | 21 | 251 |
| | Hampton | 79 | 60 | 19 | 83 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 20 | 20 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 320 |
| | Mahon | 65 | 25 | 30 | 17 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 125 | |
| For Congress | Scarborough | 36 | 53 | 40 | 8 | 16 | 24 | 13 | 17 | 15 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 203 |
| | Byrnes | 69 | 10 | 42 | 29 | 18 | 31 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 226 |
| | Garris | 68 | 158 | 28 | 56 | 16 | 24 | 6 | 13 | 7 | 26 | 25 | 22 | 18 | 467 |
| | Patterson | 98 | 13 | 84 | 57 | 25 | 9 | 12 | 27 | 29 | 16 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 383 |
| | Crum | 99 | 148 | 42 | 67 | 5 | 13 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 14 | 20 | 6 | 7 | 437 |
| House of Rep. | Hunter | 114 | 15 | 125 | 74 | 47 | 51 | 22 | 30 | 33 | 30 | 13 | 16 | 19 | 589 |
| | Miley | 149 | 73 | 51 | 71 | 31 | 44 | 4 | 27 | 24 | 26 | 18 | 10 | 21 | 549 |
| For Supervisor | Riley | 104 | 120 | 86 | 64 | 35 | 20 | 16 | 21 | 25 | 20 | 15 | 16 | 9 | 551 |
| | Hill | 77 | 98 | 68 | 30 | 48 | 56 | 5 | 18 | 3 | 18 | 7 | 16 | 22 | 466 |
| | Kearse | 159 | 77 | 85 | 112 | 10 | 17 | 26 | 42 | 27 | 26 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 602 |
| For Treasurer | Folk | 189 | 178 | 151 | 135 | 58 | 64 | 22 | 44 | 45 | 43 | 33 | 24 | 28 | 1014 |
| For Auditor | Rowell | 235 | 180 | 154 | 142 | 59 | 64 | 22 | 44 | 45 | 43 | 33 | 24 | 28 | 1063 |
| County Commis. | Bellinger | 116 | 58 | 9 | 64 | 1 | 14 | 10 | 6 | 8 | 12 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 319 |
| | Copeland | 14 | 12 | 75 | 13 | 7 | | | | | | 4 | 4 | 4 | 145 |
| | Folk | 99 | 90 | 44 | 57 | 25 | 20 | 18 | 25 | 23 | 31 | 23 | 17 | 13 | 485 |
| | Kinard | 112 | 133 | 135 | 45 | 24 | 36 | 12 | 34 | 38 | 19 | 18 | 6 | 4 | 616 |
| | Patrick | 21 | 10 | 6 | 94 | 25 | 2 | 2 | 117 | | | | 1 | 8 | 143 |
| | Phillips | 81 | 19 | 11 | 67 | 11 | 11 | 1 | 7 | 19 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 246 |
| | Walker | 27 | 25 | 17 | 5 | 7 | 20 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 11 | 14 | 14 | 149 |
| Total vote at | | 235 | 181 | 154 | 142 | 59 | 64 | 22 | 44 | 51 | 45 | 33 | 24 | 28 | 1082 |

WRECK ON SEABOARD.

Two Freight Cars Ditched by Wash-out Near Patrick.

Patrick, Sept. 1.—Seaboard Air Line local freight No. 5 ran into a small washout one and a half miles south of here yesterday. The engine and seven cars passed over, but when a heavily loaded coal car reached the undermined track it went down. Only two, the coal car and the caboose went down. But for the fact that No. 5 had a "wait" order on No. 66 at Middledorf, No. 66, passenger train, might have run into this washout. Only one man, Webber Walton, flagman, was hurt, he not seriously. The wrecker was sent from Hamlet and soon had the track clear.

Condition of Cotton.

Washington, September 2.—The crop reporting board of the department of agriculture estimates that the average condition of the cotton crop on August 25 was 72.1 per cent. of a normal, as compared with 75.5 on July 25, 1910; 63.7 on August 25, 1909; 76.1 on August 25, 1908, and 73.1 the average of the past ten years on August 25.

Comparisons of conditions by States on August 25 follow:

| States: | 1910 | 1909 | aver. |
|----------------|------|------|-------|
| Virginia | 82 | 73 | 76 |
| North Carolina | 76 | 73 | 76 |
| South Carolina | 73 | 74 | 76 |
| Georgia | 71 | 73 | 76 |
| Florida | 74 | 75 | 78 |
| Alabama | 72 | 66 | 72 |
| Mississippi | 71 | 61 | 75 |
| Louisiana | 60 | 48 | 71 |
| Texas | 69 | 59 | 69 |
| Arkansas | 78 | 60 | 73 |
| Tennessee | 78 | 75 | 81 |
| Missouri | 78 | 80 | 80 |
| Oklahoma | 85 | 56 | 75 |
| California | 95 | — | — |

United States: 1910, 72.1; 1909, 63.7; ten-year average, 73.1.

While the average condition of cotton on August 25, according to the figures of the crop reporting board of the department of agriculture, is 8.4 per cent. better than it was at the corresponding date last year, it is lower by 3.4 per cent. than it was a month ago. It is 4 per cent. lower than it was at this time in 1908, and is 1 per cent. below the average for the last ten years.

Officials of the department of agriculture declined to estimate the effect of the figures made by the crop reporting board. The old crop of cotton, by reason of existing high prices, has been practically exhausted. "Twenty-cent cotton" has called substantially every bale of spot cotton from its hiding place, according to the views of the department officials. Just now the new crop is beginning to come into the market. In Southern Texas the crop is being picked and ginned as rapidly as possible and from now on the crop marketed will continue to increase for several months.

BUYS PLANT IN GREENVILLE.

Duke Company Purchases Greenville Street Car System.

Greenville, September 3.—Following the announcement of the purchase by the Greenville, Aderson & Spartanburg Interurban Railway company of the Greenville Traction company and light and power plant, came the announcement from New York that the directors at a meeting in that city had decided to increase the capital stock of the interurban company to \$2,000,000 and to begin work on the Greenville-Belton branch at once.

The Duke interests, controlling the Greenville, Aderson & Spartanburg Trolley company, purchased the Greenville electric plant, including the traction lines, from the corporation known as the American Pipe company of Philadelphia. The price paid for the Greenville property is understood to be \$500,000.

The dispatch confirming the report of the sale was received this afternoon by Mayor Marshall from W. S. Lee of the Southern Power company and reads: "Our interests have today purchased the Greenville railway and light properties. We wish to advise you of this and assure you and the citizens of Greenville that as soon as we perfect our organization we will have our representative call on you with the end in view of securing all interests concerned to the best possible advantage."

The increase in the capital stock, designed to cover the cost of the Greenville property, and the announcement of the determination to begin work on the Greenville-Belton branch assure early developments in the project which is designed to link the leading cities of the Piedmont with lines which will furnish cheap and convenient transportation between them.

Contracts for the grading and equipment of the line from Greenville will be let at once.

The lines of the Greenville, Aderson & Spartanburg company already extend from Anderson to Belton, and this extension means one more step in the plan of binding the Piedmont yet more closely together.

Drank Laudanum.

Union, Sept. 5.—S. S. Waldrop, a well known operative in the Union-Buffalo mills, committed suicide Sunday morning by drinking laudanum and died shortly afterwards. Mr. Waldrop was a prominent member of the Second Baptist church of West. End. Mr. Waldrop was about 46 years old and is survived by a wife and several children. He left letters to his wife and son explaining the reason of his death, saying that he had betrayed the confidence of his family and friends and could not face them again. The funeral services were held this afternoon at the Second Baptist church by his pastor, Rev. Mr. Anderson, and his remains were laid to rest in the city cemetery.

PATTERSON OFFERS REWARD.

Speaks His Mind About the Circular With Forged Name of Byrnes.

Edgefield, September 1.—Hon. J. O. Patterson, of Barnwell, candidate for re-election to congress from this district, spent a portion of the day in Edgefield receiving the congratulations of his friends upon the splendid vote he received through the district and especially in this county. He learned here for the first time that his name was being connected with the widely discussed Byrnes circular, as having something to do with its being sent out. This he denied most emphatically.

The county Democratic executive committee was in session at the time Congressman Patterson was here, and he was invited to address the committee concerning the circular, which has caused such widespread comment. He accepted the invitation, being introduced by E. A. Padgett, a member of the committee.

He stated that he was surprised to learn upon arrival in Edgefield that his name had been connected with the circular in any way, and was glad of the opportunity to make a public denial of having had any knowledge of the circular which was slanderous in the extreme, reflecting in the severest terms upon Mr. Garris as well as upon himself. Just before leaving Mr. Patterson gave out the following statement to all the newspaper correspondents:

"A circular or letter has been circulated throughout the second congressional district purporting to have been written and signed by James F. Byrnes, a candidate for congress, in which serious and scurrilous charges are preferred against C. W. Garris, a candidate for congress, and also against me."

"Mr. Byrnes has issued a circular denying the authorship of such letter or circular and declaring the same to be a forgery and Mr. Garris has likewise issued a circular denouncing the statements made against him and both of those gentlemen have offered a reward for the conviction of the party who wrote and circulated the letter referred to. I am informed that this letter has been used against me in the primary election just held, it being charged that such letter was gotten up and circulated in my interest."

"I desire to say to the people of the second congressional district that such a statement is absolutely false, and any intimation from my enemies that the letter was written or circulated by myself or any friend of mine I denounce as untrue and as absurd on its face, and I further state that I have no knowledge or information as to who is the author of the letter or by whom it was circulated."

"As to the charge of forgery I have no knowledge or information. All I know of it is I saw a copy of it with the name of James F. Byrnes signed thereto."

"I am informed that an effort is being made to find out the perpetrator of this crime, which effort I hope will meet with success. I will bring this matter to the attention of the post office department at once and see that a thorough investigation is made with a view to having the guilty party punished."

"In addition to this I hereby offer a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who wrote and circulated the scurrilous letter above referred to, signed James F. Byrnes and dated Aiken, S. C., July 8, 1910 and addressed to Senator Geo. H. Bates, Barnwell, S. C., bearing post mark Aiken, S. C., August 29th, 1910 and received at the post office at Barnwell on the same date. It has always been my purpose and effort to conduct a clean and high campaign and I feel confident that those who know me know that I would not under any circumstances stoop to such dirty and outrageous political tactics. (Signed) "J. O. PATTERSON."

Committee Meeting.

The county Democratic executive committee met in the court house here last Thursday, and on account of the close vote between Messrs. B. W. Miley and W. L. Riley for the house of representatives, a recount of all the votes was had. The recount resulted in Riley being elected by a majority of two. Kearse was declared elected for Supervisor; Kinard for county commissioner; Ray, Copeland, Henderson, and Free for magistrates. There will be a second race for county commissioner between Bellinger and Folk, also a second race for magistrate at Olar between Fields and Laine. The primary will be held next Tuesday.

RESULTS OF THE PRIMARY

OFFICIAL COUNT OF DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Hampton in Second Race for Railroad Commissioner—Patterson Leads for Congress.

The State Democratic executive committee met in Columbia last Friday night in the office of the secretary of State at the State house and declared the official results of the recent primary election. The second primary will be held on September 13. The official returns put Hampton and Cansler in the second race for railroad commissioner, although Scarborough ran close for position.

The following were declared to be in the second race:

For Governor.

C. L. Blease.

C. C. Featherstone.

For Adjutant General.

W. W. Moore.

J. M. Richardson.

For Railroad Commissioner.

James Cansler.

G. McDuffie Hampton.

Those Elected.

The following were declared as having been elected on the first primary: Charles A. Smith, lieutenant governor; J. Fraser Lyon, attorney general; R. M. McCown, secretary of State; A. W. Jones, comptroller general; J. E. Swearingen, State superintendent of education; R. H. Jennings, State treasurer. These are declared the nominees of the Democratic party.

The following were declared the nominees for congress from the various districts: George S. Legare, first district; A. F. Lever, seventh district; Wyatt Aiken, third district; Joseph T. Johnson, fourth district; D. E. Finley, fifth district.

A second primary is ordered from the following congressional districts: Second district, James F. Byrnes, Jas. O. Patterson; sixth district, J. E. Ellerbe, P. A. Hodges.

Official Vote.

The following is the official vote for State and congressional officers:

For Governor.

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| Cole L. Blease | 33,414 |
| C. C. Featherstone | 30,045 |
| Thomas G. McLeod | 25,263 |
| F. H. Hyatt | 5,436 |
| John G. Richards, Jr. | 9,770 |
| John T. Duncan | 1,436 |